

# Woodlot efm Project



**BC's Best Managed Forests** 

#### June 25th , 2008



# JWG Presentation



- Understanding & Communication
- Endorsement of our ideas & suggestions
- Support for short term plan
  - Resources
  - Communication (linkages with other initiatives)
  - Business alignment
  - Discussion around top recommendations



# Overview



- Background
- Business Case
- Project Purpose & Team
- Methodology
- Findings
- Products
- Recommendations
- Key Learnings & Reflections
- Next Steps plan finalization & implementation



# Background



- 2003 Efm initiative comes alive introduction of new Ministry web-enabled applications
- 2004 Federation/FIA commission Forsite report
- **2005** 
  - e-FM was first introduced to woodlot licensees at woodlot workshops in March 2005
  - Streamlining Forest Initiatives Infomall, data clean up, CP/RP bundles, single form
  - WARRT (woodlot administrative review and recommendation team)
- **2006** 
  - CIO Forum / ILMB = Data sharing initiatives
  - BAPS FIMW
- 2007
  - FBCWA Efm User need report Woodlot Licensee e-FM User Group
  - Northeast BC Pilot Project
  - NRSIC Strategy and action plan
  - Efm Project
  - DTAP POW
- Various initiatives WARRT, BAPS, POW, etc. lack of coordination = inefficiencies + duplication of efforts



# Business Case

### *identified efm issues/challenges*



#### **Woodlot Federation**

- Cost & Complexity
- Lack of resources and/or skills
- Reliance on service providers

#### **Ministry of Forests and Range**

- Lack of district efm expertise
- Capture/ document business & policy
- Ministry core requirements

#### Both

- Low client participation
- Database Integrity spatial & attribute
- Inadequate Training
- Desire to improve relations
- Overall Frustration
- 2005-07 releases of business applications
  Follow-through (previous recommendations)
  Perceptions:
  - Systems drives business rules
  - Inconsistent business practices
  - -reduced workload associated with efm submission



## Our Team







# efm Project Purpose



### Purpose:

"Development of a strategic plan that provides short, mid and long term recommendations which, if implemented, will enable woodlot holders to more easily and effectively submit data electronically to support their business and the Ministry's efm objectives."

### Deliverables:

1. Business Process Maps depicting interaction with efm and data requirements

2. Identification of issues, inconsistencies, perceived duplication and possible solutions



# Methodology



- Research Phase
  - Interviews and Demos
  - Business Process Mapping
- Analysis Phase
  - Review business process maps
  - Identification of business inconsistencies, issues, duplication, etc.
- Recommendations Compilation
  - Development
  - Categorization: Short Mid Long Term
  - Prioritization
- Strategic Plan Development next steps
- Strategic Plan Approval next steps



# **General Results**



- Business Process Maps -15 total
  - Overview, BCeid/MFR applications, ECAS (Coast & Interior), ESF FTA CP & RP, RESULTS Online & Ezlink
- Issues over 50 identified
- Inconsistencies over 50 identified
- Perceived Duplications over 20 identified
- Training & Knowledge Transfer required (by/for both MFR & woodlot licensees)



# General Findings



## **Story** Time



# Key Disappointments



- Data Integrity & Clean Up
  - Inaccurate or minimal spatial information
  - Missing or inaccurate attribute data
- Cultural reluctance to change (all sides)
- Lack of meaningful reports to get info from systems (MFR & licensees)
- Many of our recommendations have been documented in previous reports but never implemented



# Key Findings



- Business rules drive the systems
- Huge amount of information required
- From clients' perspective, systems are very individualized & could be more audience-friendly
- Business inconsistencies (legs, regs, policy, templates, systems)
- Minimal System data requirement inconsistencies
- General lack of knowledge of and training in ESF systems
- System Interface issues (multiple ports)



# Key Surprises



- Ezlink is easy to use (although still room for improvement)!!
- Numerous similar initiatives relating to systems are going on at same time --- no apparent coordination & possible duplication
- Possibly more change coming due to NE pilot project recommendations for push/pull system
- How little we understood each other's perspective of our joint business (MFR districts vs branches vs IMG vs licensees)



## Products



- Detailed Business Process Maps (flowcharts)

   including identification of perceived duplications, issues, questions, inconsistencies, suggested improvements
- Cheat Sheets for: BCeid application
  - BCeid application FTA & RESULTS submissions
- Listings of Issues & Recommendations (prioritized)
- Listings of Perceived Duplications and Inconsistencies



### Business maps Woodlot Overview







### Business maps CP Submission to FTA







### Business maps **RP** Submission to FTA

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### Business maps Interior ECAS Submission







### Business maps Coast ECAS Submission







### Business maps WASTE Submission







### Business maps RESULTS Online post-harvest Submission







### Business maps RESULTS Ezlink post-harvest Submission







### Business maps RESULTS Silv. Activity Submission



#### Online





### Business maps RESULTS FG FC Online Submission

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### Business maps RESULTS FG FC Ezlink Submission

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### Business maps RESULTS Milestone Declaration Submission



#### Online





### Business maps BCeid & MFR Applications







## Inconsistencies Examples



### ROAD Construction – Code vs FRPA vs CP wording

### CODE

#### Authority to construct, modify or use a road on Crown land

- **41** (1) [Repealed B.C. Reg. 350/02]
  - (2) A holder of a woodlot licence may use a road constructed or modified under a cutting permit after the permit expires and is exempt from section 54 (1) of the Act to the extent necessary to use the road.

### **FRPA**

#### Wilderness roads

70 Despite section 22.2 [non-industrial use of a road] of the Act and section 68 [road maintenance], if a woodlot licence holder is required to maintain a forest service road, or a road authorized under a road permit, a cutting permit or a woodlot licence, and the road is not being used by industrial users,



# Inconsistencies Examples



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#### 5.00 ROADS

5.01 Subject to the Licence and the forestry legislation, the Licensee may construct or modify roads under the authority of this cutting permit on the harvest area if the roads are wholly contained within an harvest area authorized under this cutting permit.

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#### 5.00 ROADS

- 5.01 Subject to the Licence and the forestry legislation, the Licensee may construct or modify roads under the authority of this Cutting Permit on areas of Schedule "B" Land, and Schedule "A" Land subject to a timber licence, that are authorized for primary logging and removal under this Cutting Permit if the roads are:
  - (a) wholly contained within a cutblock identified on a forest stewardship plan; and
  - (b) not identified on a forest stewardship plan as providing access to more than one cutblock.



## Inconsistencies Examples



### Stocking Standards – Code vs FRPA vs Guide vs Majors

### CODE

#### CODE's WLFMR as of 1998

#### Definitions

**1** (1) In this regulation:

"stocking requirements" means, in relation to an area where there is no silviculture prescription, the preferred and acceptable species and the stocking specifications for a stand of trees that must be achieved for an area as specified

- (a) in section 77 by the regeneration date, or
- (b) in section 78 by the free growing date;

(2) In this regulation, and in the Act with respect to woodlot licence areas:

**"stocking requirements"** means, in relation to an area where there is a silviculture prescription, the stocking specifications set out in section 22.1 (3) (e) and (f);

### **RESULTS WL Guide**

Standards Regime ID

The stocking standard regime ID number. This must be an approved Standards ID in RESULTS. This number uniquely identifies a set of series of Regen/FG offsets, target/minimum stocking levels, species/heights, etc that make up a stocking standard.

### FRPA

FRPA's FPPR as of 2003 **Definitions** (1) In this regulation:

"stocking standards" means the stocking standards that apply when
(a) establishing a free growing stand, or
(b) meeting the requirements of section 44 (4) [free growing stands generally];

#### FRPA's WLPPR as of 2003

#### Definitions

**1**(1) Unless otherwise indicated, words and expressions not defined in this regulation have the meaning given to them in section 1 *[definitions]* of the Forest Planning and Practices Regulation.

Yes



## "Duplication" Examples



#### Areas & Dates – in FTA

	Forest Tenure Administration (FTA)
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## "Duplication" Examples



### Areas & Dates – in RESULTS

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#### RESULTS316 - Disturbance Results





Site Plan/Forest Cover Map Date Map



## "Duplication" Examples

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# **Issues Prioritized**



#### TOP "TEN"

- Frustration with RESULTS (#50)
- RESULTS data clean up (#24 & #22)
- BCeid expiry every 2 years (#46)
- Too much info collected by RESULTS (#5)
- Legacy data in LRDW (blocks incorrectly positioned or nonexistant (#17, #21, #20)
- Major changes not adequately communicated (#45)
- Portal to WASTE system not easily recognizable (#54)



# Recommendations Themes



#### Six Themes

- Audience-Focused System (Business + System)

   Improvement to Existing Processes
   Personal Contact
   Recognition of Tenure/Other Fields
   Tools (New)
- Extensive Review of Data Requirements
- Data Clean Up
- Audience-Focused Training
- Full-Time Position
- Policy Practices Audit



## Short Term 3 to 9 months



#### TOP TEN

- Cross Functional team (#49)
- Woodlot Specific e-service expert (#17)
- Suggested Improvements evaluation (#5)
- Tool Options (#24)
- One audience specific portal (#31)
- CP/RP training (#36)
- Data Clean up (#45 & #46)
- Full time position to lead CF Team (#64)
- View access to all applications (#19)
- Stocking Standards adjustments in Results to match woodlots (#63)



## Mid Term 9 months to 2 years



### TOP FIVE

- 2 Full time positions (#100)

   -one specific to woodlots
   -one for all other tenures
- Orthorectify base maps (#94)
- Client-focused Reports (including descriptions in CRS- #69)
   HBS: Cut control statements (#79, #78,# 11)
   RESULTS: All openings' obligations summary (#16)
- Adjust/develop appropriate standards for woodlot submissions (#73)
- Reassessing current WASTE reporting requirements (#99)



## Long Term 2 to 5 years



### TOP THREE

- Tenure Recognition across all systems (#107 + #108)
- Easier movement between applications (#104)
- Interactive business process maps (#109)



## **Essential Culture Shifts**



TOP FOUR ("ongoing" recommendations)

- Recognition of woodlot differences at planning stage of business/system changes (#124)
- Use of business process maps as big picture lens to assess impacts of new initiatives/legislation/changes (#115)
- Knowledge sharing through provincial calls/AGMs (#121)
- Woodlot business/systems coordinator/liaison (#125)



# Improvement Examples



- 1. Tenure Recognition
- 2. Permit Salvage Code
- 3. FG Exempt checkbox field
- 4. FDP/WLP checkbox field
- 5. Single MFR e-application request form
- 6. One Simple Portal



# Improvement Examples (#1, 2, 3, 4)



#### Go to Flipcharts





# Improvement Example One single "form" (#5)



#### Information Access Proposal #4 Streamlined User Access Cont'd

- Consolidate and simplify access protocols for required data and systems
- Consider a single application procedure which grants access to all required data and systems

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Name:	
Phone:	Email:
Yes: No	
Please cho	oose the application(s) for which you are requesting access from the list below
C LRDW C ECAS FTA C ESF C HBS C RESULTS D SPAR	Why do you require access to this system? Tenure #: Other application-specific questions
U SPAR	Submit



LINKS

SITE MAP

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ABOUT GeoBC

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► MAIN INDEX

GeoBC on GOOGLE EARTH

SEARCH GeoBC

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# Improvement Example One Simple Portal (#6)

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#### GeoBC BC'S GEOGRAPHIC GATEWAY



- Archaeology & Culture Base Maps Fish, Wildlife & Plants Forest, Grasslands & Wetlands Fresh Water & Marine
  - Land Ownership & Status
  - Land Use Plans
  - Minina & Petroleum Parks, Recreation & Tourism

Welcome to the GeoBC Gateway Application



#### Sile Contents

Engineering

<u>Timber Tenures</u>

- Annual Report
- Real Estate Operations
   Designate Explained

Legislation

Policy

Management Plan

Operational Plans

Program Brochure

Road Layout and Design

Seeds and Seedlings

WL Cut Control (word)

Electronic Forest Management (e-FM) Initiative

Q & A - W.L. Planning & Practices Regulation (FRPA)

- General Information
- <u>Community Forests</u>
- Woodlot Licence Program

#### Other Links

- BC Timber Sales
- Forms
- Forest Library
- Govt.Tel. Directory
- Provincial Map
- MSRM
- Woodlot for Windows AAC Program

WL Transfers & Private Land Dispositions

Timber Processing Amendment

#### **Other Duties**

FUP to cut a Christmas Tree

Feedback



## Improvement Example vs Into Si

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 Information Management



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 System - CR5 + Electronic Submission Framework - ESF Forest Stewardship Plan – FSP + Forest Tenute + Harvest Billing - HBS + Invasive Plants -+ Log Export - Lexis + MepView + Mark Sites + Seed Information

SPAR

+ Waste

Silviculture Reporting
 <u>- RESULTS</u>

+ Tenure Maps - THS

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transmission of information with the business community is called the Electronic Forest Management initiative (e-FM). The e-FM initiative includes a suite of ministry applications that are available to Ministry business partners and focuses on business transformation, efficient approval processes and electronic transactions and records.

A fundamental and central component of e-FM is to use an electronic submission framework (ESF) to conduct business with the Ministry's business community. The ESF application supports conducting business with the exchange of "attribute (forms) and spatial data (maps)" information through a single, standardized interface across external and internal organizations.

Key business components of the e-FM initiative are: e-Access, e-Records, and e-Learning. System development projects are underway in each of these categories. Many new capabilities are already available, and more are under development for future release

e-Records - Electronic Records Management

e-Access

Search

. e-Learning - On-Line Classroom - Web-based Training

#### Access to Trim - TRIM data

As part of the E-FM initiative, GeoBC is making TRIM base map data available for free to licensees that are meeting their statutory reporting requirements using ESF and the other E-FM tools. <u>Details of the</u> announcement replacing Data Exchange Agreements with this new policy

#### e-Access

#### BCeID

BCeID is an online service that makes it possible for you to use your Login ID and password to sign in securely to any BCeID participating British Columbia Government internet site.

Important: Access to applications may require a BC Government user ID (BCeID).

. If your company does not have a BCeID, please see BCeID Registration Process . If your company has a BCeID, please see Requesting Access to Electronic Forest Management (e-FM) Applications

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#### e-Records

#### Electronic Records Management

The Ministry is introducing a method for filing both internal and external electronic mail based on the government's Microsoft Exchange email system and government's ARCS and ORCS filing standard. Since the vast majority of business correspondence today is via email or email attachments since the vac majority of obliness correspondence oblights while email or email attachments, this system is expected to replace most of the Ministry's paper-based filing methods over time. Because this new tool incorporates the capacity to do electrone word by word searches through all email and documents held in it, it will significantly improve the Ministry's capacity to locate information relevant to any topic

Legal documents already in existence in hard copy media must be retained for evidentiary Legal documents already in existence in hard copy media must be retained for evidentiary purposes. Many of the Ministry's significant documents are very old, and are in paper format. These documents will still have value to the Ministry and to government decades from now. Over time, an electronic version of these documents may be made available for Ministry reference/viewing, thereby ensuing preservation of valuable historic records while providing easier access.



# Improvement Example



### **Requested Reports**

### HBS: Automatic cut control statements

### FTA: BSP Cutblock application date (to tell when RESULTS submission should occur)

### FTA: Area, AAC & replacement date

RESULTS: Obligations Summary for all openings/woodlot (harvest start, survey(s) reported, regen/FG dates & declaration dates)

**RESULTS:** Annual report completion



# Resource Requirements



## <u>Staff</u>

- Short Term
  - I full time position for the implementation of ...
- Mid Term to Ongoing
  - 2 full time positions for...

**Budget** 

Training \$Tool Development \$



# Key Learnings



Dave

Coleen

Gord

Jacques

Susan



## Reflections



#### Voice from the past – some excerpts



# Key Messages 5 C's



- Client-focused processes and interfaces
- Clean up of data is high priority to enable: -licensee compliance
   -accurate ministry data management
   -ease succession (tenure & staff)
- Clarify/justify information requirements
- Change inappropriate business rules

Create easier access and user friendly systems
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### "Vision without Implementation is Hallucination"

# FBCWA/MFR Woodlot efm Project

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